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THIS PRESENTATION WILL INCLUDE AN AMERICAN VIEW OF THE NEED FOR ALLIANCE COOPERATION ACROSS THE ATLANTIC, THE CURRENT SITUATION, THE OBSTACLES TO FURTHER PROGRESS, AND A PROGRAM FOR FUTURE ACTION. SPECIFIC AREAS OF CONCERN WILL INCLUDE ALLIANCE STRATEGY AND DETERRENCE, REINFORCEMENT CAPABILITIES, COOPERATION OF COMBAT FORCES, ALLIANCE TRAINING PROGRAMS, COOPERATION IN LOGISTICS, WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT

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